

THE MOHAVE MINER.

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EDITORIAL NOTES.

Sixteen hundred horses were burned at New York a few days since.

The Grand Lodge of the order of Knights of Pythias was in session at Prescott last week.

Southern Arizona consumes nearly 50,000,000 pounds of wheat and flour in excess of the amount it grows annually.

The distance from New York to San Francisco by Cape Horn is 15,000 miles; distance by the Panama canal, 4,200 miles.

It is generally conceded by the Republican press of the east that Blaine will receive the Presidential nomination of that party next year.

Ben Goodrich has resigned the district attorneyship of Cochise county. It is so seldom that a democrat lets go of anything, that it deserves mention.—*Nogales News*.

In every section of Arizona the people are showing a growing confidence in the future of Arizona which approaches a spirit of enthusiasm.—*Nogales News*.

No country offers such advantages to labor as Arizona, the climate is so mild that the workmen need not lose a day during the year on account of inclement weather.—*Star*.

The San Francisco Chronicle says: The supreme court has decided that mining companies must keep books. This is a startling innovation that will be vigorously resisted by old mine managers.

The general sentiment of the people of Mohave county is in favor of funding the indebtedness of the county, small as it is, and we hope that the Board of Supervisors will take proper measures to do it at once.

The ever obliging democratic administration has discontinued the Big Bug postoffice, compelling fifty or more settlers to go from ten to twenty miles for their mail now, who heretofore received it at that office.—*Journal*.

Cameron H. King, one of the code commissioners, asserts that the organic acts of New Mexico and Arizona were repealed by congress in 1877. If Mr. King's codification of the laws of the Territory are no more correct than his statement of the repeal of the organic act, then the bar of the Territory will have a pretty mess of statutes to practice under.—*Star*.

The warrants of Pima county are at par to-day, owing to the fact that the county has bonded its indebtedness. Why cannot the same be done in this county? We do not owe one-tenth as much as Pima, and our resources are nearly as great. The mines of Mohave county to-day are producing more money every month than those of Pima, although our stock interests are not as large.

Deep Mining in Mohave County.

We have always maintained that the main ore bodies of the mines of Mohave county would be found below the water level. That this is so we have now actual and positive proof, illustrated by two mines which have been recently equipped with hoisting and pumping machinery to enable the work of development to be prosecuted below the water level. In the Cupel mine at a depth of 215 feet, and in what has hitherto supposed to have been barren ground, a large body of ore assaying from 300 to 500 ounces per ton, has recently been struck and already a car load of the ore is on the way to be sampled. Men are now engaged in drifting both ways on the ore streak and they have already demonstrated that it is seventy feet long with no appearance of its giving out.

On the C. O. D. mine a still larger body of ore has been encountered. On the 250 foot level of this mine a body of ore has been opened up, from two to five feet wide in places, on which levels have been run over 100 feet each way from the shaft. Probably the best illustration of the value of this ore may be obtained from the actual returns of a car load worked at our Sampling Works last week. This car load, weighing over eleven tons, actually sampled 634 ounces in silver and four-fifths of an ounce in gold per ton, and netted Messrs. Dana and Howell, the fortunate owners of the mine, over and above shipping and working expenses, \$7,000. When this is understood as being the product of the labor of twenty men for one week in drifting alone, the value of the ore body can be partially estimated. From now on the mines will produce from this level alone two car loads, equal to \$15,000, per week, while the work of sinking the main shaft another 100 feet and opening up another level, will be continued as fast as possible. This is beyond question the richest body of ore ever found in Mohave county; still, that in the Cupel mine may fully equal it in extent and value when fully developed.

While we feel a pardonable pride in finding our theories so thoroughly and so quickly proven, we cannot under-estimate the great practical benefits which must necessarily result from these discoveries. New mines will be sought for and found, abandoned ones re-opened, and on those now being worked surface prospecting will be ended and the work of development below the water level inaugurated. This cannot but result in more bodies of ore being found, the equal, if not the superior, of those described above, and in making the brilliant product of Mohave county equal to that of any of the great mining camps whose reputation has been, and is, world wide.

The fact that several mines have been opened up the present year which are now paying a profit of from five to fifty thousand dollars per month is one of the many straws which show how the wind will blow in Mohave county when our mines are more fully developed. It will blow us a boom, and a good substantial one, too. One that will rest on a solid and permanent foundation, and result in making Kingman one of the great mining centers of the Pacific coast.

The Prescott Courier is doing a good deal of kicking over the fact that its subscribers do not receive their papers although they are regularly mailed. If the Courier will join with the Miner and other papers in the Territory in protecting subscribers this matter will soon be regulated. We have started in to kick, and we propose to continue in the kicking business, until the papers regularly mailed to our subscribers at this office are as regularly delivered to them by the post-office officials.

The Boards of Supervisors of every other county in the Territory meet on the first Monday of each month for the express purpose of auditing bills and transacting such business as may have accumulated during the previous month. This is only fair and right, and we are surprised that this rule has never been adopted in this county. We notice that if any one owes the county anything it has to be paid on demand in coin, while, under the present arrangement the creditors of the county, many of whom have advanced money for the benefit of the county, have to wait three months and then take their pay in scrip which is hard to dispose of at any price.

He Saved Arizona.

Here is the way the Phoenix Herald compliments the chief (?) executive for having "saved Arizona."

According to the Courier Governor Zuliak has again just "saved Arizona," by writing a letter to the Interior Department, from having Geronimo and his band armed with new Chassepot shot guns, knives, etc., and mounted on fine chargers, turned loose upon the inhabitants with their bellies full of government crackers and corned beef. The letter was very "timely" after the matter had been discussed all over the United States by the press, and while there was no intention of taking the Apaches out of Florida, in fact it was sufficiently timely to reach the Department after the report of the Commission on the Florida Apaches had been disposed of as well as the Apaches themselves. The Governor has been "saving Arizona" ever since he has been here. He saved it by attempting to have an armed force sent into the territory to prevent the helpless settlers from protecting themselves from the Apaches. He saved it by sleeping on the hills of Cochise with his "Winchester for a bride," he saved it by being an "old resident" when he filed his application for governor of Arizona; he saved it by vetoing bills in the legislature which he recommended should be passed and encouraged while on their passage; he saved it by attempting to destroy the credit of Arizona abroad both by dispatches and letters and thus causing a great loss to the territory in the sale of bonds; he saved it by becoming suddenly moral and vetoing a lottery bill with one hand while he approved faro and stud poker with the other; he saved it by stooping to a fraud upon the people to put his henchman into office who could not be put there honestly and openly; he saved it by attempting to secure from the legislature an appropriation to pay personal expenses incurred from political and demagogic purposes; he has saved it by disgracing the high position he was expected to occupy, till he has become the butt of the sneers of the entire territory; he has saved it by violating the laws of the United States in appointing members of the legislature to offices the emoluments of which they were instrumental in increasing and while they were yet members of that legislature; he saved it by having his picture and "great moral veto" published in the California Rural Press along side of a homiletic on boiled squash; he saved it by attempted political trickery so base that his own partisans would not support him in it; and as his nature seems to run so strongly to salvation he will probably save Arizona the humiliation of his occupancy much longer.

TERRITORIAL ITEMS.

Nogales has a Mexican Methodist church.

Yuma school district contains 350 children of school age.

B. D. Clark is going to erect a sampling mill at Phoenix.

Within the next ten days the railroad bridge will be completed across Salt River and the trains running into Tempe.

The culture of bees and manufacture of honey is at present attracting a good deal of attention from farmers in Salt River Valley.

As an illustration of good shooting an exchange remarks that a little boy in Socorro aimed at a target and shot off one of his feet.

Phoenix is to have an opera house. E. Patten is now engaged in erecting on Center street a theatre designed for seating one thousand persons. The hall will be in the top of a three-story building.

Preston & Co., bankers of Chicago, have purchased the entire lot of Pima county bonds, of the first issue of \$250,000; they pay a premium of \$2,815, and of the later issue of \$50,000 they pay a premium of \$600. So it will be seen Pima county securities stand well in Chicago.

The Cochise County Bank through the cashier, Mr. Jacobs, has put in a bid for the \$127,000 in county funding bonds. A bid has also been received from Mr. George Evans of Chicago, who reached here to-day. The bids are not stated, but it is known that both parties offer a premium for the bonds.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

(FROM OUR REGULAR CORRESPONDENT.)

WASHINGTON, May 23rd, 1887.

This is Washington's gala week. It will be filled with martial music, soldiers, visitors and events, brilliant pageants, exciting competitive drills, reviews and street parades. Probably never since the final days of the war, when the armies of the Potomac and of the West marched through the great thoroughfare of this city, has there been so fine a military display as is promised us during the present week.

The soldiers now encamped around the base of the Washington monument represent thirty-one states, and they are the flower of the militia of the country. Many of the organizations are noted for their excellent discipline, and have won trophies in state and inter-state drill contests. The same ground on which the soldiers of the war spread their tents and camped has been assigned as quarters for the visiting battalions and regiments, and every appointment for convenience on the field has been perfected, as well as throughout the city for the care of the thousands of visitors incidental to the occasion.

The drill opened to-day, but this was the practical business day of the meeting. The last arrivals of troops were assigned to their locations on the camp ground, the camp was formally christened "Camp George Washington," orders were issued by Gen. Angur, the commandant of the camp, and at five o'clock there was a formal opening of the entertainment by a dress parade by all of the assembled troops. To-morrow the competitive drills commence.

The judges of drill are all experienced army officers, who have passed much time at the leading institutions where the manual of arms was thought of first in everything. The judges' program has not been made known, of course, and no military organization will be informed what maneuvers it will be required to perform until it enters the drill ground for each contest. The highest prize offered is \$5,000, and that is to the best company of infantry.

It takes quite a good deal of money to run the dining room and kitchen erected on the drill ground for this occasion. The kitchen is capable of preparing food for four thousand persons at a time, and is fitted up with the largest range in the city. The dining room seats twelve hundred men, allowing seventeen inches of room for each, and the caterer who purchased this privilege says he can reset the table every twenty-five minutes. The amount of crockery is very large, nearly fifty thousand pieces. About nineteen hundred of the soldiers are attempting to do their own cooking on account of the bad treatment they have received heretofore while attending other drills. The caterer hopes, however, to win all of them over to his establishment by doing well by the soldiers. He is under contract with the Drill committee to charge his military patrons only one dollar for three meals. Others he can charge what he pleases.

Wednesday, the 25th, and Monday, the 30th, (Decoration day) will be the two great days of the camp in popular estimation. Wednesday will be Governor's day, on which the Governors of different states, with their staffs, will surround the President on a grand stand in front of the White House and review the troops. On decoration day the soldiers in camp will join the procession to Arlington, the National cemetery, and with the Grand Army of the Republic, take part in the exercises of the day. In the afternoon of the same day the prizes and trophies, the flags and stands of colors, the medals and cash premiums will be presented to the successful competitors and then the camp will break up. The visitors will receive their spoils, of course, from the hands of the President.

The government of this camp is regular and rigid according to army regulations, thus giving those who participate an idea of actual service, such as many of them never had. All commands are subject to camp duty, regular inspection at quarters, daily dress parade, and all rules, regulations and orders that may be promulgated by the commandant of the camp. All commands entered are required too to remain during the full term of the camp, and are not permitted to quarter and board outside of it.

Odds and Ends.

The ink bottle is one of the most indispensable things known.

One good drink of Jersey lightning will make a man feel like thunder.—*Life*.

Cucumbers are green, but they get the best of a fellow sometimes.—*New Age*.

A vessel sailing from Cork is incomplete without a Cork's crew.—*Texas Siftings*.

A man always thinks he is on the wrong track when he sits down on one.—*New Haven News*.

Judge.—Have you anything to say before the Court passes sentence upon you? Prisoner.—Well, all I got to say is, I hope yer Honor'll consider the extreme youth of my lawyer, an' let me off easy.

Fetherhede at the Club—"That Skat-tawhain is a dreadful aw. He's such an aw he makes my head ache every time I see him, wondering how the devil he can be such an aw as he is."—*Town Topics*.

We have a lawyer in this county who, several years ago, in the course of a plea, said: "Gentlemen of the jury, you should bear in mind the Lord's Prayer, which says, 'Do unto others as you would that they should do unto you.'"*Cooperstown Republican*.

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